WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICE OF FOOD SAFETY AND SHELLFISH PROGRAMS

ANNUAL GROWING AREA REVIEW

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AREA: East Passage

YEAR ENDING: December 31, 2005

CLASSIFICATION: Approved, Unclassified, Prohibited

ACTIVITIES IN THE GROWING AREA IN 2005:

Samples were collected 6 times in the growing area during the year using the systematic random sampling method. Portions of the shellfish area were closed due to biotoxin from 7/1/2004 to 11/30/2004.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS OF WATER SAMPLES:

Table #1 summarizes the results of all samples collected from the area. This summary shows that all stations in the area pass the NSSP water quality standard.

CHANGE IN ACTUAL POLLUTION SOURCES THAT IMPACT THE GROWING AREA:

We currently have no information indicating that the area has new sources of pollution.

CLASSIFICATION STATUS:

\boxtimes	Well within the classification standards
	Meets standards but some concerns
	Meets standards but threatened with a downgrade in classification
	Fails to meet classification standards

REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Table #1 shows that all stations meet the NSSP water quality standards for approved classification and the area is correctly classified.

TABLE 1

SUMMARY OF MARINE WATER DATA (SRS)

Growing Area: EAST PASSAGE

Classification: Approved, Prohibited, Unclassified

From 12/07/2000 To 12/08/2005 FECAL COLIFORM ORGANISMS/100 ML

Station Number	Classification	Number of Samples	Range	Geometric Mean	Est. 90th Percentile	Meets Std.
375	Approved	31	1.7 - 4.5	1.9	3.0	Yes
376	Approved	31	1.7 - 7.8	1.9	3.0	Yes
377	Approved	31	1.7 - 4.5	1.8	2.0	Yes
378	Approved	30	1.7 - 22.0	2.0	3.0	Yes
379	Approved	30	1.7 - 7.8	2.2	3.0	Yes
380	Approved	31	1.7 - 2.0	1.7	1.0	Yes
381	Approved	31	1.7 - 9.2	2.2	4.0	Yes
382	Approved	31	1.7 - 4.5	2.0	3.0	Yes
383	Approved	31	1.7 - 49.0	2.7	8.0	Yes
385	Approved	31	1.7 - 33.0	2.2	5.0	Yes
386	Approved	31	1.7 - 33.0	2.2	5.0	Yes
387	Approved	31	1.7 - 11.0	2.3	4.0	Yes
388	Approved	31	1.7 - 21.0	2.1	4.0	Yes
390	Approved	31	1.7 - 13.0	2.0	4.0	Yes
391	Approved	31	1.7 - 13.0	2.1	4.0	Yes
392	Approved	31	1.7 - 23.0	2.2	5.0	Yes
393	Approved	31	1.7 - 17.0	2.3	5.0	Yes
384	Prohibited	31	1.7 - 11.0	2.3	4.0	Yes
389	Unclassified	31	1.7 - 6.8	2.1	3.0	Yes
394	Unclassified	30	1.7 - 920.0	3.6	27.0	Yes
395	Unclassified	31	1.7 - 31.0	2.5	6.0	Yes
600	Unclassified	19	1.7 - 350.0	3.3	19.0	*N/A
647	Unclassified	18	1.7 - 17.0	2.5	6.0	*N/A
675	Unclassified	8	1.7 - 130.0	4.1	27.0	*N/A
676	Unclassified	9	1.7 - 2.0	1.7	1.0	*N/A

All tides information is presented

The standard for approved shellfish growing waters is fecal coliform geometric mean not greater than 14 organisms/100 ml and an estimate of the 90th percentile not greater than 43 organisms/100 ml. The above table shows bacteriological results in relation to program standards.

^{*} N/A - SRS criteria require a minimum of 30 samples from each station. *

[†] All samples have been verified.

